

**MACON COUNTY**  
**“COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE”**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2013 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Cathy White, Chris Wix, Kenneth Witte, Jeff Hughes, Phillip Snow, Scott Gammons, Jerry Ray, Larry Tucker, Mchelle Phillips, Bryan Carter, Tony Boles, Anthony Bullington, Ronnie McDuffee, Helen Hesson, Wendell Jones, Benton Bartley, Todd Doss, Ron Morey, Dewayne Whittemore

Absent: Todd Doss and Rosetta Driver

Motion #1 by Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boles to approve minutes as presented from the 7/15/13 Legislative Body Meeting, 6/18/13 Planning Committee Meeting, 5/21/13 Planning Committee Meeting and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #2 by Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snow to approve Resolution # 81-8/2013 OSHA Rules and Regulations and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #3 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hughes to approve Resolution # 82-8/2013 Capital Outlay – Library Roof and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Ms. Oldham, Macon County Director of School, and Randy Robinson, maintenance department, reported that only 1 bid had been turned in for the LES pitched roof. The total bid cost was \$587,993. Discussion ensued.

Motion #4 by Carter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bartley to approve the bid and borrow the money to be paid back through Debt service on a 5-7 year note and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried on Roll Call

Discussion ensued regarding the stabilization of the football stadium and that a complete overhaul would be completed in their next year's budget.

Sheriff Gammons informed the committee that he was implementing the purchase of electronic cigarettes for the inmates. He said that there was not any cost to the county and the cigarettes were only vapors and does not contain nicotine. Discussion ensued.

Sheriff Gammons requested the commission to allow him to set up a revenue account to deposit funds from the electronic cigarettes. He wants to save these funds and let it build up in order to give the correctional officers a raise and also to help purchase a patrol car.

The commissioners requested that Sheriff Gammons report monthly on the funds being generated through the cigarette sales.

Motion #5 by Boles, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snow to set up a line in revenue and keep up with money generated through the cigarette sales and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #6 by Boles, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to appoint Fay Fitzpatrick to the Library Board for a three (3) year term.  
Motion Carried

Motion #7 by Hesson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ray to re-appoint Frances Darnell and Georgiana Boles to the Library Board for a three (3) year term.  
Motion Carried

Motion #8 by Morey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Witte to cut the tree by the fountain at the courthouse.  
Motion Carried

Commissioner Ken Witte informed the commission about the number of training hours the constables have to date and required hours to maintain for arresting ability that was approved in November 2012. Discussion ensued.

Rick Shoulders, Assessor of Property, was present to speak to claims that were made in the previous meeting regarding an employee's inaccurate timesheet and time clocks. Discussion ensued regarding the county personnel policy and office hours worked. A suggestion was made to look into combining the county personnel policy into one (1) policy.

Teresa Whittemore and Mickey Meador were present to request hiring Ms. June Shrum, Historical Society, as a county employee. Discussion ensued. No action taken.

The budget committee presented the commissioners with the 13-14 FY budgets for review and approval. Mayor Linville mentioned various items that affect the budgets, such as the insurance increases, Worker's Compensation deductibles, ObamaCare and the lawsuit against the county. Discussion ensued regarding the budgets.

Mayor Linville informed the commissioners that \$150,000 has been set up in a Capital Projects Fund to purchase trucks/equipment for the Highway Department.

Audie Cook, Road Supervisor, requested \$300,000 to purchase trucks/equipment in this budget year and also to keep this amount in his budget to work on roads next budget year. Discussion ensued. No action taken.

Motion #9 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bullington to set the tax rate at 2.42 and use the additional revenue toward county roads and other items needed.  
Motion Failed on Roll Call

Motion #10 by Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hughes to send the 13-14 FY budgets to the Full Body Court Meeting for approval.  
Motion Carried on Roll Call.

Motion #11 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boles to approve Resolution #83-8/2013 Appropriations and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #12 by Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Witte to approve Resolution #84-8/2013 Non-Profit Charitable Organizations and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #13 by Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to approve Resolution #85-8/2013 Tax Levy and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #14 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ray to approve Resolution #86-8/2013 Cash on hand – Library and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #15 by Boles, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to approve Resolution #87-8/2013 General Purpose Schools Federal Projects and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Discussion ensued in regards to paying off the smaller notes in Debt service versus paying extra on the larger Highway/School loan or refinancing it. Mayor Linville will check into these options.

Motion #16 by Morey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tucker to adjourn.  
Motion Carried